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Fifty-second Legislature – Second Regular Session

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COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, WATER AND LANDS

Report of Regular Meeting
Thursday, February 11, 2016
House Hearing Room 3 -- 10:00 a.m.

Convened 10:08 a.m.

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Adjourned 10:14 a.m.

Members Present

Mrs. Benally
Mrs. Cobb
Ms. Fann
Mrs. Gabaldón
Ms. Otondo
Mr. Shope
Mr. Mitchell, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Barton, Chairman

Members Absent

Mr. Montenegro
Mr. Pratt

Agenda

Original Agenda – Attachment 1

Request to Speak

Report – Attachment 2

Presentations

Name

Organization

Attachments (Handouts)

None

Committee Action

Bill

Action

Vote

Attachments (Summaries,
Amendments, Roll Call,
Attendance)

HB2455 DPA
Committee Attendance

8-0-0-2

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April Riggins

April Riggins, Chairman Assistant
February 12, 2016

(Original attachments on file in the Office of the Chief Clerk; video archives available at <http://www.azleg.gov>)

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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, WATER AND LANDS

DATE Thursday, February 11, 2016

ROOM HHR 3

TIME 10:00 A.M. NOTE TIME
CHANGE 9:00 A.M. 

Members:

Mrs. Benally
Mrs. Cobb
Ms. Fann
Mrs. Gabaldón

Mr. Montenegro
Ms. Otondo
Mr. Pratt

Mr. Shope
Mr. Mitchell, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Barton, Chairman

Bills	Short Title	Strike Everything Title
HB2455	<u>DPA</u> wildfire suppression; joint study committee (Otondo, Barton, Benally, et al)	
	<u>8-0-0-2</u> AWL, RULES	

ORDER OF BILLS TO BE SET BY THE CHAIRMAN

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Information Registered on the Request to Speak System

House Agriculture, Water and Lands (2/11/2016)

HB2455, wildfire suppression; joint study committee

Support:

Joe Sigg, Director of Government Relations, Arizona Farm Bureau; Bas Aja, DIR. GOV RELATIONS, Arizona Cattlemen's Association; Chris Udall, AGRIBUSINESS & WATER COUNCIL OF ARIZONA, INC.



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HB 2455

wildfire suppression; joint study committee
Prime Sponsor: Representative Otondo, LD 4

X Committee on Agriculture, Water and Lands

Caucus and COW

House Engrossed

OVERVIEW

HB 2455 establishes an 11-member committee to study the economic costs of wildfire suppression and catastrophic wildfires, the costs and benefits of planning for wildfire prevention and forest management, and research potential economic development that could accompany forest management.

PROVISIONS

1. Establishes the Joint Wildfire Suppression Study Committee (Committee) with the following members:
 - a. Two members of the House of Representatives: One appointed by the Speaker and one appointed by the Minority Leader;
 - b. Two members of the Senate: One appointed by the President and one appointed by the Minority Leader;
 - c. The State Forester or the Forester's designee;
 - d. The State Land Commissioner or the Commissioner's designee;
 - e. One member from Northern Arizona University who has forest management expertise, appointed by the university president;
 - f. One member representing an organization that consists of ranchers and grazers, appointed by the Governor;
 - g. One member representing a nonprofit organization dedicated to environmental conservation or public access to outdoor recreation, appointed by the Governor; and
 - h. Two members of the public, appointed by the Governor, one of which must have professional experience in watershed management.
2. Requires the Committee to:
 - a. Study the actual and economic costs of wildfire suppression and catastrophic wildfires;
 - b. Study the costs and benefits of planning for wildfire prevention and forest management;
 - c. Research economic development potential that could accompany forest management, including the vegetative removal industry, forest products industry and biomass energy production industry; and
 - d. Submit a report to the Governor, the Legislature and the Secretary of State on or before December 31, 2016.
3. Allows Committee members appointed by the Governor to be reimbursed for travel expenses.
4. States that the cochairs elected by the Committee may not be from the same political party.
5. Sunsets the Committee on October 1, 2017.

PROPOSED

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2455

(Reference to printed bill)

- 1 Page 1, line 6, strike "Two" insert "Three"; strike "one of whom is"
- 2 Lines 7 and 8, strike "and one of whom is appointed by the minority leader of
- 3 the house of representatives" insert ", not more than two of whom are from
- 4 the same political party"
- 5 Line 9, strike "Two" insert "Three"; strike "one of whom is"
- 6 Lines 10 and 11, strike "and one of whom is appointed by the minority leader of
- 7 the senate" insert ", not more than two of whom are from the same political
- 8 party"
- 9 Amend title to conform

LISA A. OTONDO

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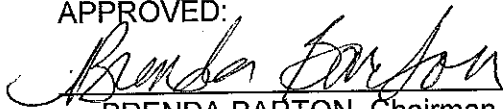
ROLL CALL VOTE

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, WATER AND LANDS BILL NO. HB 2455

DATE February 11, 2016 MOTION: DPA

	PASS	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mrs. Benally		✓			
Mrs. Cobb		✓			
Ms. Fann		✓			
Mrs. Gabaldón		✓			
Mr. Montenegro					✓
Ms. Otondo		✓			
Mr. Pratt					✓
Mr. Shope		✓			
Mr. Mitchell, Vice-Chairman		✓			
Mrs. Barton, Chairman		✓			
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APPROVED:


BRENDA BARTON, Chairman
DARIN MITCHELL, Vice-Chairman


COMMITTEE SECRETARY

ATTACHMENT 5

ARIZONA STATE LEGISLATURE

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COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE RECORD

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, WATER AND LANDS

CHAIRMAN: Brenda Barton VICE-CHAIRMAN: Darin Mitchell

DATE	2/11 /16	/16	/16	/16	/16
CONVENED	10 ⁰⁸ am	m	m	m	m
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RECONVENED					
ADJOURNED	10 ¹⁴ am				
MEMBERS					
Mrs. Benally	✓				
Mrs. Cobb	✓				
Ms. Fann	✓				
Mrs. Gabaldón	✓				
Mr. Montenegro	exc				
Ms. Otondo	✓				
Mr. Pratt	exc				
Mr. Shope	✓				
Mr. Mitchell, Vice-Chairman	✓				
Mrs. Barton, Chairman	✓				

✓ Present --- Absent exc Excused